

WASHINGTON D.C. This afternoon Congressman Bishop was appointed to the House Appropriations Committee's Subcommittee on Homeland Security as well as the newly formed, Subcommittee on Military Quality Of Life and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies.

The Department of Homeland Security, which overseas the national effort to protect against terrorism, oversees agencies that include: the U.S. Coast Guard, the U.S. Secret Service and the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

The Subcommittee on Military Quality Of Life and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies will oversee construction projects for the Army, Navy (including Marine Corps); and Air Force, as well as Military Housing Agencies and the Veterans Administration.

"These subcommittee assignments are an important step for Georgia and the people of the Second Congressional District. They put us in a position to improve the quality of life of for our men and women in uniform, their families and the communities that support our bases," said Congressman Bishop. "Additionally, this is an important opportunity to work on issues of border and transportation security that are central to protecting our citizens from terrorism and the emergency preparedness programs that help us rebuild when disaster strikes. I look forward to managing these issues in the term ahead."

Congressman Bishop was named to the Subcommittees on Homeland Security and Military Quality Of Life and Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies after committee oversight responsibilities were realigned. The Subcommittee on Military Quality Of Life and Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies expands the responsibilities of the Military Construction Subcommittee that Congressman Bishop previously served on. The Subcommittee on Veterans Affairs and House and Urban Development (VA/HUD), his other previous assignment, was eliminated.